

Table 1. California Division of Workers' Compensation: Workers' Compensation Claims (in 000's), by Part of Body, 2000 - 2009

PART OF BODY	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Head	72.6	9.8	88.8	9.5	80.4	9.1	75.7	8.9	72.0	9.0	70.3	9.3	70.5	9.6	67.8	9.8	61.5	9.7	53.3	10.0	713.0	9.4
Neck	15.0	2.0	19.5	2.1	18.3	2.1	17.4	2.0	16.4	2.0	14.5	1.9	14.0	1.9	13.8	2.0	12.8	2.0	11.9	2.2	153.7	2.0
Trunk	166.4	22.5	210.5	22.6	199.6	22.5	187.7	22.1	173.4	21.6	159.3	21.0	151.4	20.6	143.2	20.6	129.2	20.4	109.0	20.5	1,629.5	21.6
Lower Extremities	124.3	16.8	155.0	16.6	148.3	16.7	140.9	16.6	135.3	16.9	131.9	17.4	131.6	18.0	125.2	18.0	115.7	18.3	96.6	18.1	1,304.8	17.3
Upper Extremities	259.2	35.2	324.6	34.9	308.2	34.7	296.6	35.0	286.7	35.7	271.9	36.0	266.7	36.4	251.2	36.2	228.2	36.0	190.0	35.7	2,683.3	35.5
Multiple Body Parts	101.2	13.7	133.1	14.3	131.8	14.9	130.4	15.4	118.9	14.8	109.2	14.4	98.9	13.5	93.0	13.4	85.9	13.6	71.9	13.5	1,074.1	14.2
SUBTOTAL	738.8	100.0	931.5	100.0	886.6	100.0	848.7	100.0	802.7	100.0	757.1	100.0	733.1	100.0	694.2	100.0	633.3	100.0	532.7	100.0	7,558.4	100.0
Unknown	1.5		2.5		3.5		0.9		0.9		0.5		0.7		0.7		1.1		0.9		13.5	
TOTAL REPORTED INJURIES	740.3		934.0		890.1		849.6		803.6		757.6		733.8		694.9		634.4		533.6		7,571.9	

Note: Totals and percentages may not always add up due to rounding.

Source: WCIS database, which uses National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) codes as follows:

Head--multiple head injury, skull, brain, ear(s), eye(s), nose, teeth, mouth, soft tissue and facial bones.

Neck--multiple neck injury, vertebrae, disc, spinal cord, larynx, soft tissue and trachea.

Trunk--multiple trunk, upper back area, low back area, disc, chest, sacrum and coccyx, pelvis, spinal cord, internal organs, heart, abdomen, buttocks, lungs and vertebrae.

Lower Extremities--multiple lower extremities, hip, upper leg, knee, lower leg, ankle, foot, toe(s) and great toe.

Upper Extremities--multiple upper extremities, upper arm, elbow, lower arm, wrist, hand, finger(s), thumb, shoulder(s), wrist(s) and hand(s).

Multiple Body Parts--artificial appliance, no physical injury, body systems and multiple body systems, multiple body parts, whole body and unclassified.

A significant amount of variation across years results from noncompliance and late reporting of claims. Data are based upon calendar year of injury. DWC believes that its database is representative of claims in California's workers' compensation (WC) industry.

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